

## Tax Request Hearing

**Mission:** "Engaging All Learners to Achieve Success"

The Tax Request Hearing started at 5:45 PM on Monday, September 15, 2025. The meeting was held at Kramer Education Center  
2410 16th Street, Suite A  
Columbus, NE 68601

Candace Becher: Present

Michael Jeffryes: Present

Doug Molczyk: Present

Theresa Seipel: Present

Douglas Willoughby: Present

Marv Zoucha: Absent

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD
- III. EXCUSE BOARD MEMBERS
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- V. MEETING COMPLIANCE

V.A. DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

V.B. OPEN MEETINGS ACT

V.B.1. President ensures all can hear proceedings

V.C. PUBLICATION OF MEETING NOTICE

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

VII.A. Tax Request Hearing

Jason Schapmmann presented the tax request for all 25-26 funds.

VIII. ADJOURN

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified Secretary for the School District No. 1 of Columbus, Nebraska, certify that the preceding is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular School Board meeting of Monday, September 15, 2025.

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President

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Secretary

## Notice of Special Hearing To Set Final Tax Request

Columbus Public Schools (71-0001-000) in Platte County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 77-1632, that the governing body will meet on the 15th day of September, 2025 at 5:45 p.m. o'clock, at the Administration Building, 2410 16th St Ste A, Columbus, NE Room 171 for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request.

|  | 2024-2025                           | 2025-2026                      | Change        |   |                            |   |                        |                    |                            |  |  |  |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|---|----------------------------|---|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Property Valuations                                      | 2,878,738,113                       | 3,076,960,669                  | 7%            |   |                            |   |                        |                    |                            |  |  |  |  |
| Bond Valuation   | 2,834,808,815                       | 3,032,786,714                  | 7%            |   |                            |   |                        |                    |                            |  |  |  |  |
|  | <b>2024-2025 Budget Information</b> |                                |               |   |                            |   |                        |                    |                            |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Fund</b>  | 2024-2025 Operating Budget          | 2024-2025 Property Tax Request | 2024 Tax Rate | Property Tax Rate (2023-2024 Request Divided By 2024 Valuation) | 2025-2026 Operating Budget | 2025-2026 Proposed Property Tax Request | Proposed 2025 Tax Rate | Change in Tax Rate | Change in Operating Budget |  |  |  |  |
| <b>General Fund</b>                                      | 56,820,227.00                       | 26,894,682.00                  | 0.934252      | 0.874066  | 62,862,687.00              | 26,894,682.00                           | 0.874066               | -6%                |                            |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Bond Fund(s) K - 12</b>                               | 3,631,823.00                        | 3,668,508.00                   | 0.127435      | 0.119225  | 3,632,472.00               | 3,669,164.00                            | 0.120983               | -5%                |                            |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Special Building Fund</b>                             | 1,683,279.00                        | 1,085,859.00                   | 0.037720      | 0.035290  | 2,630,787.00               | 1,947,049.00                            | 0.063278               | 68%                |                            |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 12</b> | 848,860.00                          | 857,434.00                     | 0.029785      | 0.027866  | 4,857,876.00               | 859,778.00                              | 0.027942               | -6%                |                            |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Total</b>   | 62,984,189.00                       | 32,506,483.00                  | 1,129192      | 1,056447  | 73,983,822.00              | 33,370,673.00                           | 1,086269               | -4%                |                            |  |  |  |  |